GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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REPORT OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL
JITENDRA PRASADA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the Amnesty International in its latest reports about the RSS, Vishwa Hindu Parishad and Bajrang Dal for inciting violence against Christian organisations and missionaries ;

(b) whether the Government have also been charged in the matter; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a),(b)&(c): The Amnesty Internatinal, in their Report entitled `India -Persecuted Challenging Injustice -Human Rights Defenders in India` has mentioned that public statements by RSS, Vishwa Hindu Parishad and Bajrang Dal might have incited individuals to violence against the members of the religious minorities. The Government is, aware of its responsibility and is fully committed to uphold the secular character and the values enshrined in the Constitution to safeguard the interests of the minorities. It will spare no efforts to maintain peace and communal harmony.